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Hongkong, 17th December, 1896. [187]

## Today's Advertisements.

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"CHIHIL."

Captain Newcomb, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 18th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 17th December, 1896. [1952]



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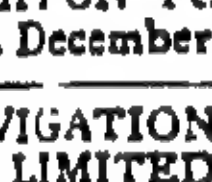
THE Company's Steamship

"IDZUMI MARU."

Captain J. Carnow, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 18th instant, at 5 P.M., instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 17th December, 1896. [1895]



CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA, VIA AMOY.

THE Company's Steamship

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Captain C. B. N. Dodd, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 19th instant, at Daylight.

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Hongkong, 17th December, 1896. [1952]

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FOR MANILA (DIRECT).

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Hongkong, 17th December, 1896. [1897]



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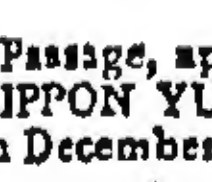
THE Company's Steamship

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Captain Trennot, will sail hence on 2nd January, 1897.

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Hongkong, 17th December, 1896. [1958]



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Captain C. L. Daniel, carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, &c., on THURSDAY, the 21st December, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

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For further Particulars, apply to H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 17th December, 1896. [181]

## Today's Advertisements.

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AFTERNOON SESSION—from 5 to 7 P.M. PRICES:—Skates and Admission ..... 50 Cents. Admission ..... 25 "

EVENING SESSION—from 8.30 to 12 P.M. PRICES:—Skates and Admission ..... \$1.00 Admission ..... 50 "

On FRIDAY, the 18th instant, A TRICK BICYCLE COMPETITION will take place for a HANDSOME GOLD MEDAL. Intending Competitors can send in their Names to the Rink up to One o'clock on the 18th inst.

A WEIGHT LIFTING CONTEST will take place for a SILVER CUP on THURSDAY, the 24th December, and will be open to all Comers.

A GRAND MASQUERADE BALL will be held on BOXING NIGHT (SATURDAY), the 26th inst.

The BAND of the WEST YORKSHIRE REGIMENT will be in attendance Nightly.

SAM MARKS, Proprietor.

Hongkong, 17th December, 1896. [1796]

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Hongkong, 2nd May, 1896. [1427]

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Letters on Editorial matters to be sent to "The Editor," and not to individual members of the staff.

Communications intended for publication must be accompanied by the name and address of the writer, not necessarily for publication; but as evidence of good faith.

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BRANDY—All our Brandy is guaranteed to be pure COGNAC, the difference in price being merely a question of age and vintage.

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A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Hongkong, 15th September, 1896. [1]

## MARRIAGE.

On the 17th instant at St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong, by the Rev. R. F. Cobbold, M.A., JAMES TONY, eldest son of the late T. H. Douglas, Esq., Montrose, Edinburg, to MARY LOUISE, third daughter of the Rev. John Macgowan, of Amoy, China. (No cards).

## The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1896.

## REUTERS' MESSAGES.

THE UNITED STATES AND CUBA.

LONDON, December 15th.

Much heat and indignation is expressed in the United States respecting a rumour that the insurgent Chief Maceo fell through the treachery of the Spaniards. The Spaniards repudiate the charge.

THE ITALIAN NAVY.

The preamble of the Italian Naval Estimates deplores the fact that the strength of the Navy has fallen below the level of efficiency as compared with other navies, and demands a vote of seven million lire for additional shipbuilding.

MORE TROUBLE FOR TURKEY.

The Times correspondent at Athens states that an extensive revolutionary movement is projected in Macedonia in the spring, the leaders of which propose to create a diversion by fomenting a revolt in Crete, and add that large quantities of munitions have already been sent to Crete.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Criminal Sessions to-morrow.

Philharmonic Society's concert to-night.

THE football match—Hongkong Club v. B. Coy W. Y. R.—was won, this afternoon, by the Club by 4 goals to 1.

At a meeting of shareholders in Dakin, Cruickshank & Co., held to-day, it was decided to wind up the concern, Mr. F. Maitland being appointed liquidator. A full report appears in another column.

In the Reichstag on the 18th ultimo Count Hohenlohe said that, in accordance with the command of the Emperor William, six officers had been appointed a committee to frame new rules regarding the verdicts of Courts of Honour requiring duels impossible. The change, he said, is expected to have a wholesome influence outside the Army.

THE Secretary of the Pungon Mining Company informs us that he has received a telegram from the mine containing the following news:—

"The roads are flooded. The mill is standing idle for want of firewood. There has been a loss of three days. The flood is subsiding. Expect to resume operations in the course of a few days."

At Cheikong on the 5th instant Bro. T. W. Bowers was installed as W.M. of Doris Lodge for the ensuing year. The ceremony was performed by R. W. Bro. Lewis Moore, D.G.M., assisted by Wor. Bro. C. Thorne. The new W.M. invested his officers as follows:—

S.W. .... Bro. T. Radcliffe.  
J.W. .... S. Rosenbaum, I.P.M.  
S.D. .... F. Loder.  
J.D. .... W. T. Chard.  
Treasurer .... C. H. P. Pinner, P.M.  
Secretary .... H. Young.  
D.G. .... W. C. Howard.  
J.G. .... I. Fitzgerald.  
Steward .... D. Halmorwich.  
Tyler .... F. Hopkins.  
..... J. Lunden.

A SPECIAL Medical Board has sent an important letter to the Bengal Government regarding the sanitary state of Calcutta, which is a menace to its health and commercial interests. The report concludes that the Board has been unable to find positive proof of there having been any case of plague in Calcutta. Government replied, instructing the Board to continue the inquiry, especially into the causes of the failure of efficient conservancy in the past, and what steps are necessary to remedy the existing foul state and prevent a recurrence. Surely, were a suitable official despatched to Hongkong to ascertain what steps are necessary to cleanse a foul city he could obtain much useful information. Hongkong's experience has been unique in the matter of cleansing an abominably filthy and plague-stricken city.

MEMORANDA.

TO-DAY, 17th December.

9.15 p.m.—Hongkong Philharmonic Society's Concert at St. George's Hall, City Hall.

TO-MORROW, 18th December.

The Transfer Books of the Canton Insurance Office, Ltd., closed from this date to the 31st inst., inclusive.

10 a.m.—Criminal Sessions.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of perfumery, &c., at Mr. P. Brewin's sales rooms, Zealand Street.

9 p.m.—Engineers' Dance, at City Hall.

SATURDAY, 19th December.

The Eastern Mica Manipulating Co.'s share list closes to-day.

Noon.—City of Rio de Janeiro leaves for San Francisco, via usual ports of call.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of wines, &c., at Mr. G. P. Lammert's sales rooms, Dundell Street.

9 p.m.—Performance of "Charley's Aunt" by the A. D. C. at the Theatre Royal, City Hall.

Mr. CURZON, speaking at Manchester on the 1st instant, said the brilliant issue of the Sudan campaign was a happy augury for future triumphs. He believed the irritation in England against Germany had entirely subsided. With regard to the Transvaal, he said a solution of the problem depended more upon the wisdom displayed at Pretoria than in London.

THE Hongkong Colts will play the 12th Co., R.A., under Association Rules to-morrow at Happy Valley. Kick off at 4.30 p.m. sharp. The following will represent the Colts:—R. Henderson, J. A. Logan, J. W. Kow, H. A. Seth, H. Gidley, forwards; P. Hyndman, J. Yale, J. M. E. de Carvalho, halves; W. A. Stopani, N. Gossalves, backs; R. F. Lammert, goal.

A TONKIN contemporary reports that on the 8th inst. one more of the Soghalien's scalded firemen (an Azab) succumbed to his injuries. This makes twelve deaths as the result of the recent explosion on the French mail liner. The Tonkin papers state the Soghalien will probably remain two months at Saigon, effecting repairs, and will then return to Marseilles with cargo only.

We regret to record the death of Mr. D. Musso, Italian Consul, which occurred at the Peak Hospital yesterday afternoon. Mr. Musso was one of the oldest and most respected of our citizens. The remains, of deceased, who was 64 years of age and had been ailing for some time, were interred at Happy Valley this afternoon in the presence of his consular colleagues, several of the local British officials, and a large number of relatives and friends.

ORDINARY Seaman Charles Johnson, of the British ship *Fort Stuart*, appeared at the Marine Court to-day, charged by Captain J. H. Vanstone with disobedience. Charles pleaded that he had an injured leg and was unable to turn. Commander R. Murray Ramsey discredited the story and sent the O. S. where Stockholm tar and salt water will not trouble him for the next to days, a little hard labour of shore kind being added to relieve monotony of incarceration and help pay the board bill.

THE annual general meeting of the Hongkong Ladies' Benevolent Society was held in the City Hall at noon to-day. Mr. T. Jackson presided and there were also present Rev. R. F. Cobbold, Rev. J. H. and Mrs. J. H. Bell, Miss Anderson, Mrs. Goodman, Mrs. G. C. Cox, Mrs. Black, Mrs. Hawkins, Mrs. Bell-Young, Mrs. Slobs, Mrs. Forbes, Mrs. Ritchie, Mrs. Michaelson, Captain G. C. Anderson and Mrs. Master (Hon. Secretary). The Chairman read the report for last year, showing a great deal of useful work had been done in assisting really deserving cases, involving an expenditure of \$1,275 as compared with \$1,205 in 1895. He also laid on the table a balance sheet showing that \$1,466.27 were carried forward to new account after meeting all expenses. The Chairman expressed the hope that the present Committee, which had done so much good work, would consent to remain in office, for it would give an assurance to the public that their contributions were disbursed carefully and pains taken to avoid worthless cases. The report and accounts were then duly adopted, on the motion of the Chairman, seconded by the Rev. Mr. J. H. Bell. The business of the election of a Committee for the ensuing year was then proceeded with and resulted in the appointment of Mrs. Master, Mrs. Cobbold, Miss Jackson, Mrs. J. H. Bell, Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. Ritchie, Mrs. Cox, Mrs. Black, Mrs. Michaelson, Mrs. May and Mrs. Goodman. Votes of thanks, carried by acclamation, to the retiring Committee for their labours in the interest of the good cause of Charity, and to the Chairman for kindly presiding, brought the proceedings to a close.

## INTER-BRITISH TRADE.

The opening meeting of the twenty-ninth session of the Royal Colonial Institute was held on Wednesday at the Whitehall Rooms, Sir H. Bowyer, G.C.M.G., presided. Mr. Lewis M.P., who read a paper on "Inter-British Trade," said that public opinion throughout the Empire had been moving steadily, but surely, in the direction of commercial federation, and he believed that, if the Empire could be pulled into this question, an overwhelming majority would pronounce in its favour. He instanced the warm attachment shown in the Colonies to the old land and her institutions, and by the Colonial Conference of 1894. Mr. Chamberlain and Lord Rosebery had advocated commercial federation, and the Congress of Chambers of Commerce, held in June, had suggested the summoning of an Imperial Conference on the subject. It would, he thought, be most fitting that that conference should be held next year, when the sixtieth anniversary of the reign of Queen Victoria would be celebrated. An immediate outcome of inter-British federation would be, he thought, to put British producers in the West Indies and Queensland on something like an even footing with foreign competitors. Having replied to the Cobden Club's attack upon him, and dwelt at some length upon the somewhat dark picture presented by our decreasing foreign export trade, and the pressure of increasing foreign manufactured imports upon our home industries, Mr. Lewis turned, with more satisfaction, to our Colonial trade, in the extension and development of which, he said, was to be found industrial salvation for British workers. He believed the most natural evolution of recent events in South Africa would be a strong movement in the direction of federation, first, of all British South Africa, and, subsequently, with the rest of the Empire. From personal experience he was able to testify that a very strong and favourable feeling existed upon the subject throughout the Australian Colonies, and he thought the time was most opportune for the submission of a more or less definite scheme of federation upon commercial lines.

## FAVOURABLE REPORT IN THE LAUNCH.

POLICE LAUNCH RUN DOWN AND SUNK.

ONE CONSTABLE DROWNED.

NARROW ESCAPE OF A EUROPEAN.

We are now able to supplement our "Extra" issued at 7.30 this morning with the following particulars of the disaster:—

At 3.30 this morning the continuous screeching of a launch whistled aroused the residents of West Point district and created a good deal of alarm along the water front. At first no one could, in the pitch darkness, make out what launch was whistling or why; but when a rocket was seen whirling through the air heavenwards it became evident an accident had happened, and efforts were promptly made to render aid. Police pinnaces were soon on the spot and when one of them came alongside West Point Wharf the details of a sad fatality were soon obtainable. The story of the accident, briefly stated, is as follows:—

At 3.30 a.m. a Chinese launch, named *Lenn Fat*, loaded with Chinese passengers and fish, taken on board at Stanley, was approaching the city of Victoria at full speed and when near the West Point wharf came into violent collision with Police steam pinnace No. 4, sinking her. The pinnace sank almost immediately and the constables on board were of course left struggling in the water. One of the constables, *Lukong Chan* Pui, No. 372, soon sank and his body has not yet been recovered; but the other men (one of them a European named Kerr) struck out manfully in the direction of the market launch, which barked out after the collision. The European, being a strong swimmer, soon got hold of the launch and handling her skilfully quickly picked up the Chinese constables, the engineer and lookout man, who were struggling for dear life, heavily handicapped with winter clothing and heavy boots.

At 5.10 a.m. Captain Superintendent May, who was promptly apprised of the affair, arrived at New Fadder's Wharf and proceeded in a police launch to the Water Police station in Kowloon to make inquiries.

One of the Chinese, *Lukong*, had almost given up all hope of being saved from a watery grave when rescued.

The captain of the launch *Lenn Fat* is now in custody.

There were five Chinese and one European on board the ill-fated police launch. The Chinese members of the crew included an engineer, one stoker, the coxswain, and two *lukongs*. The deceased *Lukong* was a very steady and smart man, who will be much missed by his superior officers.

THE STORY OF ONE OF THE SURVIVORS.

James Kerr, P.C. 15, of the Water Police, who was in the pinnace when the accident occurred, was seen by a *Telegraph* reporter to-day. He looked none the worse for his perilous experience, nor did the Chinese who were with him.

Kerr, in answer to a question, said—I was sitting on the starboard rail and saw the launch coming after us when between Jardine's and Fadder's Wharfs. I heard some of our people shouting to the launch, but those on board did not seem to see us. She struck us first on the stern, forcing us off, and then gave us a slight glancing knock on the starboard quarter. When I saw our boat at an angle of 45 degrees and knowing her copper I thought it time to jump and do so. I reached the launch and got aboard by a ladder. Then I heard our men calling out "No can swim." Taking off my coat, boots, and gaiters I went overboard and found our fireman and engineer holding up P.C. 400. They had life-boys and I tried to tow the constable to the launch, but couldn't. I put the life buoy over him and with a line from the launch he was got on board. Our coxswain then told me a man was missing and he could not swim. A boat had come off with P.S. Moffat and P.C. Fischer, and on the matter being reported to them they made a search, but were unable to find him. The launch was very high forward and had two gangways up and it was impossible for them to see us.

"How did you feel at the time?" asked the newspaper man.

"Oh," said Kerr, "it was pretty cold at first and the moon had gone down. Going over the second time, I was shouting to the men in the water as I went and I got a drink that nearly choked me. In taking off my jersey I also pulled out my watch and chain and they went overboard."

Regarding the missing man the constable said "I think he must have had his overcoat on and buttoned. Had I been wearing mine I believe I would have sunk before I got it off. Yes; I did feel sick afterwards, but we were all right soon after."

"I suppose you are a pretty good swimmer, Kerr?"

"Yes," said the officer smiling. "I come from a place where even a small boy is ridiculed if unable to swim. That place is Williamstown, in Victoria, Australia. Both our dock-hands, Chinese policemen, could not swim, but the coxswain, fireman, and engineer could."

A search party was out dredging for the pinnace to-day, and as something has been hooked it is thought to be the boat. She would probably lie with her stern pointing to Stanley and her bow towards Hongkong. She was going slow at the time and both vessels were heading east.

At the Magistrate's to-day Mr. Masters, for the owners of the market launch, asked that the hearing of the charge against the captain be taken to-morrow afternoon at 3.30 and Captain Henderson granted the desired adjournment.

## SANITARY BOARD.

A meeting of the Sanitary Board was held this afternoon. Mr. E. A. Cooper (Director of Public Works), presided. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

CHOLERA AT SINGAPORE.

A return from Singapore was tabled, showing that only one case of cholera occurred between the 19th and 20th November and none during the period between the 17th and 19th. The disease, the report stated, had now practically ceased.

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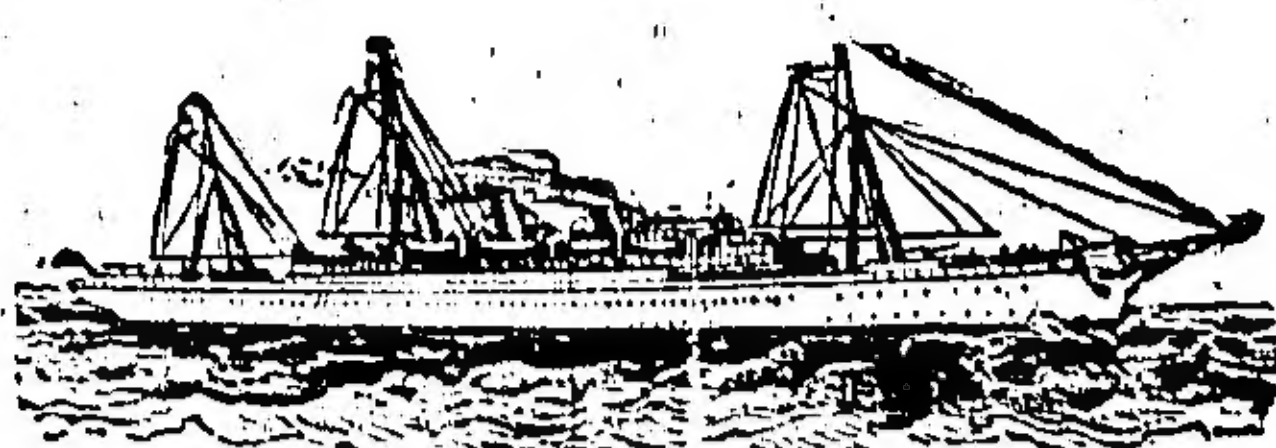
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Dork (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)..... Saturday, 16th Jan., at Noon, 1897.

Belge (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama)..... Thursday, 4th Feb., at Noon.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

City of Rio de Janeiro (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)..... Saturday, 19th Dec., at Noon.

City of Peking (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama &amp; Honolulu)..... Thursday, 7th Jan., at Noon, 1897.

Chico (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama)..... Tuesday, 26th Jan., at Noon.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship

"CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO"

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, the 19th December, 1896, at Noon, taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

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Olympia ..... 2.68 | Tuesday | Jan. 19.

Bismarck ..... 3.50 | Tuesday | Feb. 9.

Tacoma ..... 2.50 | Tuesday | Mar. 2.

THE Steamship

"VICTORIA."

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Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan, Pacific Coast Ports, and to Canadian and United States Ports.

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